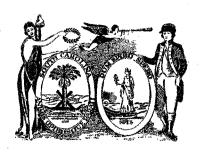
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Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.

2003-23

WHEREAS, Part 1B, proviso 8.38 of the 2003-2004 Appropriations Act requires the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services to submit fiscal impact statements to legislative leadership whenever the department plans to announce a change to eligibility, coverage, duration or scope of services, reimbursement rates or any other change that would affect Medicaid spending; and

WHEREAS, I vetoed proviso 8.38 because the reporting requirements are unduly cumbersome and a yearly report would be a more efficient method of conveying the same information to the legislature.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor, pursuant to the Constitution and Statutes of the State of South Carolina, I hereby order the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services to issue an annual report to the General Assembly setting forth any changes to eligibility, coverage, duration or scope of services, reimbursement rates of providers, or any other changes made during the prior fiscal year that impacted Medicaid spending.

This Executive Order shall be effective immediately.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND **GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH**

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MARK HAMMOND

Secretary of State

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